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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE BEFORE THE TRADEMARK TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

Notice of Opposition

Notice is hereby given that the following party opposes registration of the indicated application.

Opposer Information

Name	Threshold Enterprises, Inc.
Granted to Date of previous extension	05/04/2013
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Applicant Information

Application No	85506311	Publication date	03/05/2013
Opposition Filing Date	04/10/2013	Opposition Period Ends	05/04/2013
Applicant	Alpha Helix Inc. 3750 Las Vegas Blvd # 3206 Las Vegas, NV 89158 UNITED STATES		

Goods/Services Affected by Opposition

Class 005.

All goods and services in the class are opposed, namely: Dietary and nutritional supplements; Nutritional food bars for use as a meal replacement; Nutritionally fortified beverages

Grounds for Opposition

Priority and likelihood of confusion	Trademark Act section 2(d)
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Mark Cited by Opposer as Basis for Opposition

U.S. Registration No.	3746446	Application Date	06/26/2009
Registration Date	02/09/2010	Foreign Priority Date	NONE
Word Mark	LIFE FORCE		

Design Mark	LIFE FORCE
Description of Mark	NONE
Goods/Services	Class 005. First use: First Use: 1989/11/00 First Use In Commerce: 1989/11/00 dietary and nutritional supplements

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The undersigned hereby certifies that a copy of this paper has been served upon all parties, at their address record by First Class Mail on this date.

Signature	/Jeremy M. McLaughlin/
Name	Jeremy M. McLaughlin
Date	04/10/2013

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE BEFORE THE TRADEMARK TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

In the matter of trademark application Serial No. 85/506,311 Filed December 30, 2011 Mark FORCE MULTIPLIER Published in the Official Gazette on March 5, 2013

Threshold Enterprises Ltd.,)
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Opposer,) Opposition No
vs.)
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Alpha Helix Inc., a Corporation)
Applicant.	,)
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UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE Trademark Trial and Appeal Board P.O. Box 1451 Alexandria, VA 22313-1451

NOTICE OF OPPOSITION

In the matter of U.S. Trademark Application Serial No. 85/506,311 ("Serial No. 85/506,311") for the mark FORCE MULTIPLIER, in the name of Alpha Helix Inc. ("Applicant"), which was published for opposition in the Official Gazette on March 5, 2013. Threshold Enterprises Ltd. ("Threshold Enterprises"), a corporation of Delaware with its principal place of business at 23 Janis Way, Scotts Valley, California 95066, believes it will be damaged by the registration of the mark in Serial No. 85/506,311 and hereby opposes the same, in accordance with Section 13 of the Trademark (Lanham) Act of 1946, 15 U.S.C. §1063.

As grounds for the opposition, Threshold Enterprises alleges as follows:

- On information and belief, applicant is a Corporation under the laws of Nevada with a mailing address of 3750 Las Vegas Blvd., #3206, Las Vegas, Nevada 89158, United States.
- 2. Applicant filed Serial No. 85/506,311 on December 30, 2011, seeking registration of FORCE MULTIPLIER for "Dietary and nutritional supplements; Nutritional food bars for use as a meal replacement; Nutritionally fortified beverages," in International Class 005.
- 3. Threshold Enterprises is the owner of incontestable U.S. Trademark Registration No. 3,746,446 for LIFE FORCE for "dietary and nutritional supplements." This registration is valid, subsisting, uncancelled and conclusive evidence of Threshold Enterprises' exclusive right to use LIFE FORCE in commerce or in connection with the goods specified in the registration.
- 4. Since at least twenty-three years prior to applicant's filing date for Serial No. 85/506,311, Threshold Enterprises adopted and has continuously used its LIFE FORCE mark in connection with dietary and nutritional supplements. LIFE FORCE is a prominent national brand, with products available nationwide in all major markets.
- 5. Furthermore, Threshold Enterprises has adopted and used numerous other marks containing LIFE FORCE in connection with health and nutritional products. Current products in its Life Force family of Products include a variety of nutritional supplements and health products in tablets, capsules, and powders. These include:

LIFE FORCE GREEN MULTIPLE
LIFE FORCE MULTIPLE, NO IRON
WOMEN'S LIFE FORCE MULTIPLE

MEN'S LIFE FORCE MULTIPLE

- 6. Threshold Enterprises has invested substantial amounts of time, effort and money in developing, marketing, promoting and protecting its LIFE FORCE trademark throughout the United States in the field of dietary and nutritional supplements. As such, in addition to the protection afforded Threshold Enterprises by its federal trademark registration of LIFE FORCE, Threshold Enterprises has extensive, non-registered statutory and common law rights in and to LIFE FORCE.
- 7. Applicant has no license, consent or permission from Threshold Enterprises to use or register FORCE MULTIPLIER.
- 8. Applicant's mark so resembles Threshold Enterprises' LIFE FORCE that it is likely to cause confusion, or to cause mistake or to deceive within the meaning of Section 2(d) of the Trademark (Lanham) Act of 1946, 15 U.S.C. §1052(d); and more particularly, applicant's mark and use thereof are likely to cause confusion in, or to cause mistake by, or to deceive the trade and purchasing public into believing that the goods/services in Serial No. 85/506,311 originate with or are affiliated with Threshold Enterprises, or otherwise are authorized, licensed or sponsored by Threshold Enterprises.
- 9. By reasons of the foregoing, Threshold Enterprises will be gravely damaged by the registration of FORCE MULTIPLIER for the goods in Serial No. 85/506,311, because registration of that mark would be in violation of Threshold Enterprises' trademark rights.

WHEREFORE, Threshold Enterprises prays that this Notice of Opposition be sustained in favor of Threshold Enterprises and that Serial No. 85/506,311 be denied registration.

You are hereby authorized to deduct the \$300 fee for filing this Opposition, and any

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additional fees necessary to process this Notice, from Deposit Account No. 502387 in the name of Arnold Porter LLP.

Respectfully submitted,

THRESHOLD ENTERPRISE LTD.

Dated: April 10, 2013 _____/s/____

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PROOF OF SERVICE

I am over eighteen years of age and not a party to this action. I am employed in the County of San Francisco, State of California. My business address is Three Embarcadero Center, 10th Floor, San Francisco, California 94111. I am readily familiar with the practice of this office for collection and processing of correspondence for mail delivery, and they are deposited that same day in the ordinary course of business.

On April 10, 2013, I served the following document(s):

NOTICE OF OPPOSITION

I served the document(s) on the following person(s): Erica W. Stump, P.A.

Attn: Erica W. Stump, Esq. 110 E. Broward Blvd., Suite 1700 Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33301

☑ (BY MAIL) by causing a true and correct copy of the above to be placed in the United States Mail at San Francisco, California in sealed envelope(s) with postage prepaid, addressed listed above.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct.

Dated: April 10, 2013	Signature: /s/
	Type or Print Name: Jessica Lewis